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SUBJECT: GOVERNMENT WINS FIRST TEST IN NEW PARLIAMENT

: LONDON 19055

1. THE GOVERNMENT NOVEMBER 30 EASILY DEFEATED A  
CONSERVATIVE AMENDMENT ASSERTING THAT THE QUEEN'S SPEECH  
"PROVIDES NO GROUND FOR CONFIDENCE IN THE ECONOMIC  
POLICIES OF THE GOVERNMENT", BY A COMFORTABLE 10 VOTE

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MARGIN (276 TO 266). THE MAIN MOTION TAKING NOTE OF THE  
SPEECH WAS THEN APPROVED WITHOUT A DIVISION.

2. COMMENT. THE CONSERVATIVE AMENDMENT WAS MORE OF A  
TOKEN EFFORT TO KEEP THE PRESSURE ON THE GOVERNMENT THAN  
A SERIOUS ATTEMPT TO DEFEAT IT ON THE ECONOMIC ISSUE.  
THE GOVERNMENT, NEVERTHELESS, COULD TAKE SOME SATISFAC-  
TION FROM THE OUTCOME. WHILE WE HAVE NOT YET SEEN THE  
VOTING LISTS, THE PRESS REPORTS INDICATE THAT MINOR  
PARTY ABSENCES AND ABSTENTIONS WERE LARGELY RESPONSIBLE  
FOR THE GOVERNMENT'S MARGIN OF VICTORY, AQAIN SUQGESTING  
THAT THESE GROUPS, WITH THE POSSIBLE EXCEPTION OF THE  
NATIONALISTS, DO NOT SHARE THE TORY ENTHUSIASM FOR A  
GENERAL ELECTION.

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